

## IN CISS Advisory Transition Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Date:** Wednesday, January 5, 2011 12:00 – 12:30

**Location:** Conference Call

**Committee Chair:** Jennifer Akers

**List of Participants:** 

Jennifer Akers, Dawn Downer, Erin Gladstone, Mary Jo Paladino, Dana Renay, Teresa Grossi, Angela Paxton

Missing in attendance – Leslie Holleman, Mary Ciccarelli, Naomi

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## Summary of meeting:

Mary Jo Paladino discussed the Transition Project List

- First Steps has changed their map clusters (A-J); C and H clusters are now separated on the east side
- The committee will continue to update the list with current information including contacts
- The list is attached. Please let Mary Jo know if you have updates.

Discussion by Teresa Grossi, PhD of the IN Secondary Transition Resource Center

- See attached for information about the IN Secondary Transition Resource Center
- Grant through Dept. of Education
- Works with students over age 14; 56,000 in Indiana
- Part of IN Resource Network
- Schools are now evaluated using 20 performance indicators
- These include:
  - Increasing graduation rates
  - Decreasing dropout rates
  - The Federal Govt. want 100% compliance with transition IEP's
  - The Center targets schools that are out of compliance and gets them into compliance; work plans are being rolled out to accomplish this
  - o Follow up with students a year after completing school
- The Center works with INSOURCE on family involvement
- They are working on resources including a website that will include
  - Employment agencies
  - Higher education opportunities
    - To apply for higher education, they require recent evaluations (less than 3 years)
    - Often, the most recent evaluation was completed in

Middle School or before

- Schools are not required to do a HS evaluation
- Families have to pay out of pocket to get the evaluation done; it is costly - \$500-\$1000
- www.instrc.indiana.edu (not live yet)
- Dana Renay discussed the Autism Resource Network of IN website
  - o Over 1000 entries
  - Will share with Teresa
- The Center has a contract with CYACC
  - Regarding health transitions, CYACC is developing fact sheets for teachers to help their students incorporate healthy habits into their routine after they leave school
  - o The sheets help them self manage their health care

## Follow Up:

- To sign up for "Tuesday Tips" at the IN Secondary Transition Resource Center, contact Susan Henning-Harris at <a href="mailto:skharris@indiana.edu">skharris@indiana.edu</a>
- Please send Transition Project List changes, updates or additional projects to <u>mpaladin@indiana.edu</u>
- To accommodate Wednesday conflicts, we are moving the meeting to the first Friday of the month at 12:00-12:30
- Next meeting will be Friday, February 4 at 12:00

